Over the next few years, it is estimated that ELNEC-trained staff will touch the lives of six million patients and their families facing the end of life.

Nurses spend more time with patients who are facing the end-of-life than any other member of the health care team. Yet studies have shown that many nurses feel inadequately prepared to provide the comprehensive care so important at the end-of-life. This course will include lecture and role play covering pain and symptom management, ethical issues in palliative care nursing, culturally/spiritual aspects, communication, loss, grief, and bereavement, care at the final hours, and self-care techniques.